

CDOT Helps Make the Ride to Work Less Work

Whether your mornings are spent chasing the bus, sitting in traffic, or making your way through a crowded street—CDOT is working to improve your commute. In an effort to recognize employers that offer excellent commuter benefits, CDOT has recently teamed up with a group of local organizations and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to launch the first annual list of **Colorado's Best Workplaces for Commuters**SM.

As a coalition partner, CDOT will help challenge employers throughout the state to “Get on the List!” and join Colorado’s best employers when it comes to offering commuter benefits. Employers that make the list will be recognized for their efforts in helping to improve traffic congestion, air quality, and quality of life in the region. And considering that in Denver alone, the average commuter spends almost three full days—or 67 hours!—sitting in traffic annually, that’s no easy task.

From offering free bus passes to allowing employees to work from home, more and more Colorado employers are discovering why there has never been a better time to promote commuter benefits. Offering commuter benefits can be a cost-effective way to reduce payroll taxes, and minimize the time and expense needed to train new workers. In addition, it’s a great way to show employees that their organization cares—not just while they are at work, but while they’re on the way to work as well.

If you know of an employer that offers excellent commuter benefits, tell them to “Get on the List!” For more information on the program, visit <http://www.bwc.gov>, e-mail, bwc@epa.gov, or call 888 856-3131.